(c) the action taken so far thereon; and

(d) the time by which it is likely to be taken up for construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d). A survey for the suggested line has been taken up. Further action will depend on the results of the survey and availability of resources in the coming years.

[*English*]

Training of SC/ST Officials at Abroad

5437. SHRI ARVIND NETAM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of officers sent abroad for training during 1987, 1988 and 1989 and how many belonged to SC/ST; and

(b) if no SC/ST officers was sent, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN):

	Group 'A" Officers			Group 'B' Officers	
	Total	SC/ST		Total	SC/ST
1987	81	2	1987	11	1
1988	148	9	1988	32	4
1989	163	19	1989	37	2

(b) Does not arise.

Development of Bekal Port, Kerala

5438. SHRI M. RAMANNA RAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any scheme to develop Bekal Port as a tourist centre;

(b) the details of tourist centres the Government propose to develop in the west coast from Trivandrum to Bombay; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for the renovation and expansion of the site in and around Bakal Port?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c). Development of specific areas as tourist centres is primarily the responsibility of the State Government. However, the central Department of Tourism extends financial assistance to the State Governments on the basis of specific proposals received from them, subject to availability of funds, merit and inter-se priorities. For the Year 1991-92, the Government of Kerala has not submitted any specific scheme seeking financial assistance for development of Bekal Port so far.

[*Translation*]

Cancellation of LPG Agencies and Petrol Pumps

5439. SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Licences of petrol pumps and LPG agencies cancelled so far for indulging in malpractices in each State, District-wise; and

(b) the number of educated unemploy-